



**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**

Docket Number (Optional)  
37697-0081

In re Application of Edward W. MERRILL et al.

Application Number 10/696,362

Filed October 30, 2003

For Radiation and Melt Treated Ultra High Molecular Weight Polyethylene Prosthetic Devices

Group Art Unit  
1711

Examiner  
S. Berman

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response in the above identified application.

The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired):

- ☐ One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- ☒ Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) \$1020.00
- ☐ Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4)) \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5)) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$ \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☐ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
- ☐ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.
- ☐ The Commissioner has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 08-1641.
- I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

I am the ☐ applicant/inventor.

☐ assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71

Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).

☒ attorney or agent of record.

☐ attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34(a).

Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a). \_\_\_\_\_.

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NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below\*.

☒ \*Total of 1 forms are submitted.